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Police Request Your Help In Case: Officer Struck By ATV

Members of the Haliburton Highlands Detachment continue their investigation into a fail to remain accident that occurred on County Rd. 4 near Wilberforce.

On Friday August 22, 2003, at 8:15 p.m., Constable Jon King of the Haliburton Highlands Detachment was attempting to stop an ATV on County Rd. 4 near Wilberforce. Constable King had activated the emergency lights on his cruiser and stepped out, motioning the driver to pull over and stop. The driver of the ATV then accelerated towards Constable King who attempted to jump out of the way. The ATV struck the officer and the impact caused the driver of the ATV to be ejected. The driver of the ATV then got up from the roadway, jumped back on his ATV and fled the scene.

A short pursuit followed, but was called off in the interest of public safety.

The officer was taken to the Haliburton Hospital by ambulance where he was treated and released for minor injuries.

At press time investigators were continuing to follow up numerous tips called in by the public. The Haliburton Highlands Detachment would like to encourage the public to call with any information about this incident. People with information can call the Haliburton Highlands Detachment or Crimestoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS.

The driver of the ATV is encouraged to turn himself into police.

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Getting Ready For School!!



Time to stock up on all those school supplies!! That's what Kelly Lawr and Meg Adamson were doing last week.

Remember, The Communicator would love to have a couple students report what's happening at the schools (The Good News). Let us know if you are interested!! It's easy and it's fun!! Call 448-1847 for details!!



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Nominations Being Accepted For Business & Highlander of The Year!!

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The same goes for any individual whose volunteer contributions and community leadership benefit the Haliburton Highlands. They could be awarded the Highlander of the Year Award, but they need your nomination.

The Business of the Year Award recognizes a business that strives toward the highest levels of professionalism, that successfully demonstrates a progressive attitude, portrays a positive public image, has earned a reputation for excellence in customer service, and makes regular contributions to the community.

The Business of the Year works to develop a positive business climate in the Haliburton Highlands, which includes the willingness and ability to cooperate with other local businesses for the benefit of the economic health of the Highlands.

Nominees for business of the year award must be a member of the Chamber of Commerce.

As far as the Highlander of the Year award, any resident of the Highlands who has made outstanding contributions to the community in the areas of arts, culture, heritage, community

services, community economic development or the environment may be eligible for nomination. The Highlander of the Year is a community booster and a true Ambassador for the Haliburton Highlands.

Last year's winner of Highlander of the Year was Barrie Martin who is best known for his work with Trails and Tours. This organization has become a well-respected and fast growing organization and it is largely due to Barrie's leadership with this group.

Steve Brand, founder of Tekrider located in Minden received the 'Business of the Year Award'.

Full nomination criteria is outlined on the nomination forms. To make a nomination for either of these awards, obtain a nomination form from the Chamber of Commerce by calling 286-1760, and submit it by mail or fax, no later than Friday, September 19, 2003. All nominations will be considered by the Chamber's Board of Directors, and the awards will be presented at the Chamber's Annual General Meeting on October 24th, 2003.

Going Back to Monthly For A Bit

What a busy summer it has been here in the Highlands and here at the Communicator. Now that it is back to school, we wind down (just a little), and return back to our regular monthly editions. The need to go by-weekly was evident in the amount of news that was brought to you in each additional edition we published this summer (three in total) - even then we found we were running out of room with so much more to publish.

We will once again return to bi-weekly (two issues a month) when the busy season is once again upon us!! (Or until we find we run outta room again and need more issues.) There's just sooooo much going on and so many great businesses and people to write about!! For now, we'll enjoy the break - back to monthly, and return to bi-weekly real soon!!



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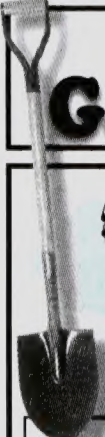
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Video City – Huge Changes In Store at This Great Store!

There are some exciting changes in the works at Video City in Haliburton! Owner Doug Hardy, well known around town for his attention to great customer service and community participation is very happy to be bringing a new element of electronics to his store, located in the Halco Plaza behind Haliburton Home Hardware.

In addition to Video City's current movie, game and music rentals and sales, they will soon be expanding their existing home entertainment offerings in areas such as Xbox and Play Station 2 in-store game sampling. Everyone is invited to go in and sample the newest and latest gaming technology as well as being provided with a multi-player networked game station room. The new game station room will be featuring high speed console internet on-line play via PS2 on-line and Xbox live or you can go head to head with your friends in your own "King of the Hill" tournaments.

For their younger audience, Video City's all day family room will be featuring continuously running children's videos with comfortable seating and a fun atmosphere. This service will allow parents the much needed opportunity of time and peace while they're choosing from the extensive selections of new and used movies, DVD's, games, music and electronics that Video City has to offer at affordable prices.

Video City is especially excited about their new direction in technology. A convenient in-store, high-speed internet connection for checking your e-mails and for just web browsing

will soon be at your disposal. Doug is also bringing in an Information Technology Specialist with over 9 years of experience in networking environments which will allow his customers the opportunity to receive high quality service, repairs and upgrades to keep your home systems running efficiently.



Doug came to the Highlands 35 years ago from Toronto, where as a boy he has many happy memories of running around the grounds of Casa Loma, where his father, George worked as a manager. Before that, for those that can remember the days of the Toronto Argonauts football

team (when they wore that funny looking equipment and striped shirts), you might recall Doug's dad, George – he played for the team way back in the early days of Argonaut football.

After moving to the Highlands, Doug worked as a lumber inspector and was the Ontario Sales Manager for Robert Bury Lumber and Plywood. Before the opening of his store Video City in 1997, Doug and his wife also operated Ken Mar Lodge in Ingoldsby for a period of years, which was a residential treatment centre for youth, so he knows a little bit about what kids are looking for in the entertainment field.

The new video games room that Doug will be offering will be equipped with 4 Xbox's and 4 Play Stations and will be available at an affordable price to players that want to take on their friends head to head. You'll also be able to join in or set up high-speed Internet tournaments with players in other countries.



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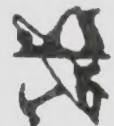
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That's because the Haliburton District Lions Club will be at the Haliburton and Minden beer stores accepting donations of bottles with all money raised going to the Canadian Diabetes Association.

You simply drop your bottles off to the Lions Club member in front of the beer store and they will look after the rest. You'll know you're

supporting a great cause at the same time!

This will be the 4th year the local Lions Club has been running the bottle drive in our area. It is up to each beer store to decide to participate in the drive across Ontario. Lions member Ken Noble states, "We've had 100% cooperation and support from our local beer stores and the locals really support it."

You can return your bottles and help the Lions raise money on Sept. 20th from opening till 4:00 pm.

Fire Fighter's Games A Blast For Spectators

If you're looking for some family fun on Sunday September 21, be sure to head to Head Lake Park in Haliburton and cheer on our local firefighters at the 10th annual Firefighters Games.

The games run from 10 a.m. till around 3 p.m. Teams will compete from Haliburton, Minden, Wilberforce, Cardiff and Stanhope.

Watch as our local firefighters compete in tug-o-wars, obstacle races, relay races, and hose relays. "It's a great way to support your local firefighters and see some of the things that we do," says Miles Maughn from the Haliburton Department.

You will certainly get some chuckles and have a great time watching the day's events. There will be a food booth on site where all the proceeds will go to the equipment fund. The Monmouth team has been the overall winners for the past four years, and the Stanhope boys are looking to take the tug-o-war championship home again this year. Lets see if these champs can regain their titles once again!!

Mark your calendars and be sure not to miss this great event – you'll laugh, cheer and have a good time!!

Yellow ATV & Driver Sought After Hit & Run With Police Officer

...from pg. 1

The driver was male, wearing a white helmet, jeans, a grey windbreaker and carrying a knapsack.

The ATV is yellow in colour with a loud muffler.

One Investigating Officer told the Communicator that any and all pieces of info that anyone may have should be called in because all tips are important. He also stated that anyone with a yellow ATV should let police know so that they can be eliminated as suspects once their ATV's are investigated. Many people are calling in and this allows police to eliminate those yellow ATV owners who were not involved.

The officer also stated that even if an arrest is made in the interim, they would appreciate any further information to aid with the case. At press time (Sunday evening) no arrests had been made.

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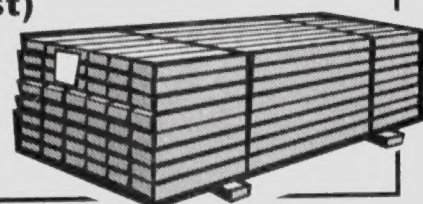
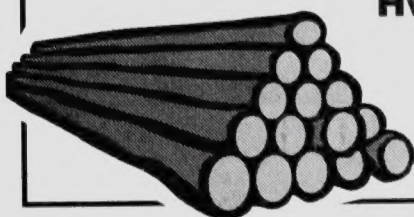
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ATV Club Promotes 'Safe' & 'Proper' Operation of ATV's

Anyone who's ever experienced riding an ATV will tell you that they're a lot of fun to ride, but the problem of where to ride them always existed. ATV's as of now are only allowed to travel on crown land. Well, thanks to the efforts of the Haliburton ATV Association, soon all you ATV'ers will have organized posted trails to ride on.

Just recently the MTO passed Bill 11, allowing ATV's to travel on the side of the roads. There will be restrictions of course and although the MTO has agreed to Bill 11, it is now in the hands of local municipalities to pass a by-law allowing ATV's on roadways.

HATV Association member Mark Coles states, "We're approaching the municipalities with a plan to allow the ATV's to travel on only limited amounts of roadways to establish links to trails. We don't want wide open use of roads. That would only be detrimental to the cause." Mark says there are over 300 kms of crown land trails in the county. Many times to link up to the next trail, like snowmobiles, ATV's would have to travel down short stretches of roadways.

There will be restrictions on roadways for ATV's such as lower speeds than automobiles, no double riding, age restrictions, drivers license required and perhaps hours of operation.

"We want the sport to be a safe one," states Mark. "Through an organized club, we can provide trail etiquette, safe operation and full insurance for riders as well as marshal or enforce the sport on the trails."

With linkage to trails, riders from our area will be able to travel long distances on their ATV's and hook up with other trail systems such as the 5 Points near Bobcaygeon, over to Belleville and the Rail Trail to Lindsay. Riders from other areas will also be able to travel to the Highlands by ATV on existing organized crown land trails.

"ATV'ing tourism has been a great economic windfall to areas such as Elliot Lake," states Mark. "The sport in our county can become much like snowmobiling."

The HATV Association wants to keep the sport on identified

trails and out of urban areas almost completely with the exception of perhaps the ability to reach a refueling station. "You will not see ATV's being allowed on the streets of Haliburton," says Mark. "They'll have to stay on the trails

only and if they have to go on a road, it will only be for a short distance and mostly on back roads to link to the next trail. We want to produce a map which will prevent ATV'ers from inadvertently trespassing on to private property."

The HATVA was established in May, 2003 and already has over 200 members. "We're hoping to reach 500 members by next summer," states Mark. The goal of the club is to promote responsible ATV'ing in Haliburton County and provide a mapped and signed trail system that will allow riders access to the incredible crown land trails in our county without trespassing on riding roads illegally.

Memberships are available now for only \$25.00 per person. As a member, you can take advantage of guided tours of trails in our area so you can learn for future use where the trails are. A member will be happy to take you out and show you where there is lots of crown land and which trails to use. The Association hopes to have a map available for members by next spring.

You may wish to visit the HATVA website at www.haliburtonATV.com and check trail updates, news and events taking place. Membership applications are available at all ATV retailer outlets or can be downloaded off the web page. You can contact any of directors of the club for more information.

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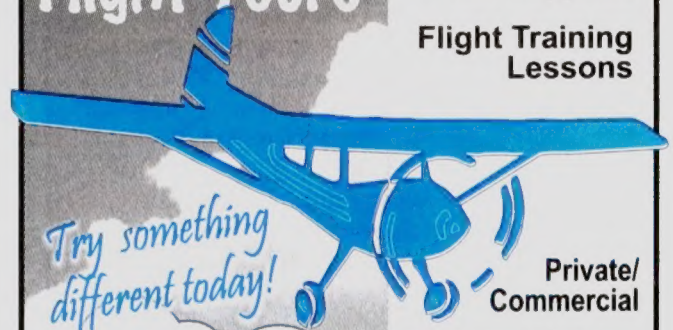
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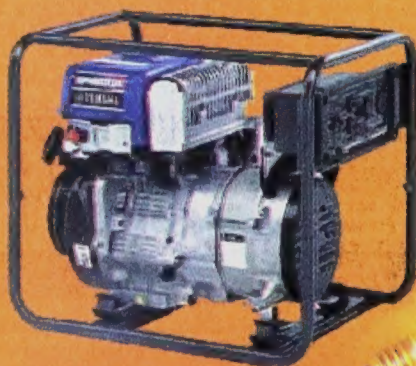
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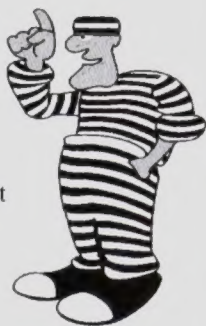
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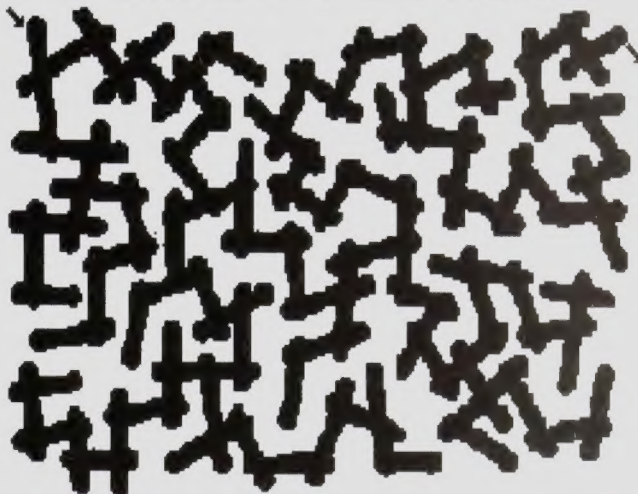


Suspect Eaten by Crocodile During Escape

Costa Rica / Panama

A 28-year-old Panamanian accused of killing a judge was eaten by a crocodile as he swam across a river after escaping from prison. Oswaldo Martinez, accused of murdering judge Harmodio Mariscal on June 5 during a failed robbery in Panama City, was captured by police after fleeing to neighboring Costa Rica. After being held in custody in Costa Rica, Martinez broke out of jail and was aiming to re-enter Panama through the dense jungle that divides the two Central American countries. Martinez was eaten alive by the crocodile as he tried to escape.

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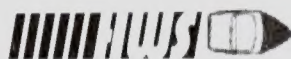
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Common Sense – Gone & Forgotten?

Today we mourn the passing of a beloved old friend, by the name of Common Sense. Common Sense lived a long life but died in the United States from heart failure on the beginning of the new millennium.

No one really knows how old he was, since his birth records were long ago lost in bureaucratic red tape. He selflessly devoted his life to service in schools, hospitals, homes, factories, helping folks get jobs done without fanfare and foolishness. For decades, petty rules, silly laws, and frivolous lawsuits held no power over Common Sense.

He was credited with cultivating such valued lessons as to know when to come in out of the rain, why the early bird gets the worm, and that life isn't always fair. Common Sense lived by simple, sound financial policies (don't spend more than you earn), reliable parenting strategies (the adults are in charge, not the kids), and it's okay to come in second. A veteran of the Industrial Revolution, the Great Depression, and the Technological Revolution, Common Sense survived cultural and educational trends including body piercing, whole language, and "new math." But his health declined when he became infected with the "If-it-only-helps-one-person-it's-worth-it" virus.

In recent decades his waning strength proved no match for the ravages of well intentioned, but overbearing regulations. He watched in pain as good people became ruled by self-seeking lawyers. His health rapidly deteriorated when schools endlessly implemented zero-tolerance policies. Reports of a six-year-old boy charged with sexual harassment for kissing a classmate, a teen suspended for taking a swig of mouthwash after lunch, and a teacher fired for reprimanding an unruly student only worsened his condition. It declined even further when schools had to get parental consent to administer aspirin to a student but could not inform the parents when a female student was pregnant or wanted an abortion.

Finally, Common Sense lost his will to live as the Ten Commandments became contraband, Churches became businesses, criminals received better treatment than their victims, and federal judges stuck their noses in everything from the Boy Scouts to professional sports.

Finally, when a woman failed to realize that a steaming cup of coffee was hot, was awarded a huge settlement, Common Sense threw in the towel.

As the end neared, Common Sense drifted in and out of logic, but was kept informed of developments regarding questionable regulations, such as those for low flow toilets, rocking chairs, and stepladders.

Common Sense was preceded in death by his parents, Truth and Trust; his wife, Discretion; his daughter, Responsibility; and his son, Reason.

He is survived by two stepbrothers: My Rights, and Ima Whiner. Not many attended his funeral because so few realized he was gone.

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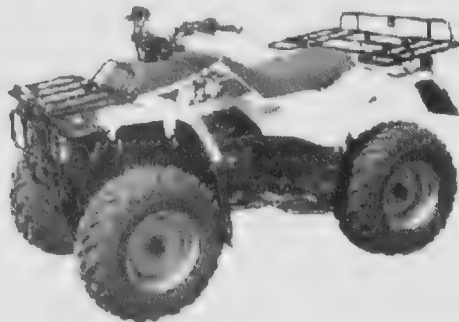
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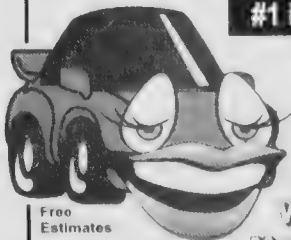
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By Shirley Lucas

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The Wilderness Beyond Adventure Company is inviting anyone interested in joining them for their "Northern Bus Festival" on Friday, August 29th to Sunday, August 31st at a cost of only \$15.00 per night. This will be quite the event to witness. It's an event for people with vans... Yes... tons of vans will be the highlight of the "Northern Bus Festival".

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On Sunday, the local community is invited to check out all the vans from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm. Afterwards, everyone can join the "Carabus" for a scenic drive looping from Diamond Lake to Elephant Lake, (approx. 60 km).

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Haliburton County Home Support Services is once again offering a free Estate Planning Seminar.

Due to the great response in Haliburton, the Haliburton County Home Support Services will be holding another Estate Planning Seminar.

This event will be held at the Gordon Monk Funeral Home in Minden on September 11 from 1-3 p.m. Tea, coffee and goodies will be provided.

Rememberthere is no charge for this information seminar. Please bring a friend and lots of questions.

There will be a lawyer, an estate planner and a funeral director speaking.

If you would like more information on this two-hour information seminar, please call Roxanne at 457-2941.

YWCA Talking Circle Group

Linda Reade and Diana Leary of the YWCA, invite women to join a weekly "Talking Circle" group beginning September 17th, every Wednesday afternoon from 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm.

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If you're interested in learning more about the proper care of your feet, the HHHS Diabetes Education Network is sponsoring an information session called "Caring for the Diabetic Foot".

The session will be taking place on September 15, at 10:00 am in the Hospital Board Room at the Haliburton Highlands Health Services at the Haliburton site.

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YWCA Shelter Needed For Haliburton County

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The YWCA has developed an innovative rural response to this problem. The Haliburton Emergency Rural SafeSpace (HERS) is a project that has been launched by the YWCA to establish an emergency safe space in the County. This is a two-phase project, the first being to secure a permanent location of at least 3500 sq. ft. to accommodate all of the YWCA services including HERS and then to establish and maintain a safe space.

The Haliburton community has demonstrated its support for HERS through gifts and donations from the Foundation of Friends, FaithWorks and sustaining supporters. The YWCA is currently searching for a building to accommodate this project as well as funding partners such as foundations, churches, service groups, businesses, governments or private donors to support the annual costs of about \$140,000 per year that will be required to sustain this much needed service. For HERS to be successful, at least another \$10,000 needs to be raised annually from local people who would like to invest in the safety of women and children in Haliburton County.

It takes a whole community to create a SafeSpace and community support will go along ways in making this happen.

Professional Women's Networking Weekend – An Exciting Fundraiser For Shelter

To help meet some of the funding needs, the YWCA in collaboration with the Delta Pinestone Resort is excited to be hosting the First Annual Ontario Professional Women's Networking Weekend in the Highlands on Friday, October 17th to Sunday, October 19th. This terrific event will give women the chance of enjoying the opportunity for networking and reflecting with other professional women throughout Ontario.

There will be three packages to choose from and the two night package prices will include your chosen activity, accommodation, breakfast each morning and a Gala Dinner. You can design your own weekend! Choose between a 9 or 18 hole round of golf in a colourful, forested setting, a fall hike promoted by Haliburton Highlands Trails and Tours Network or a spa treatment in Angel's Spa and Wellness Centre, conveniently located on site.

A donation of your choice between the \$250 Fairy Godmother donation, the \$500 Angel donation, or the \$1,000 Goddess donation made out to the YWCA Haliburton Services will be added to your discounted room and activity choices. (The YWCA will issue tax receipts for the amount of your donation).

This is a great opportunity for women to come out and enjoy the beauty that Haliburton has to offer, the fellowship of other women and the chance to support a very worthy cause. (Not to mention pampering your self just a little!)

To register for this wonderful event or for information on package prices, please call 705-457-1800 or 800-461-0357. You can also email at amckinnon@deltahotels.com. Ladies, don't miss out on this opportunity!



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The Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation is very pleased to be able to report that since starting the "Building Our Future" Capital Campaign just over 4 years ago in support of the health care facilities in Haliburton and Minden, over \$5.2 million has been raised to date! In addition to this, there is another \$240,000 in outstanding pledges as well as \$240,000 in special gifts such as life insurance policies.

The Foundation is very thankful for the generous donations and support they have received so far and will continue to work ahead to accomplish their goal of paying the balance of \$1,510,000 left owing on the capital loan for the two health care facilities in the Highlands. The continued support of past, present and future donors will go a long way towards making this a reality.

Foundation Will Continue Effort As Community Grows

The Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation is an incorporated, registered Canadian charity and is made up of a Board of Directors comprised of 12 active community members. The mission of HHHSF is "to raise funds in support of the Haliburton Highlands Health Services". They raise funds for equipment, furnishings and/or capital projects that are determined by the Haliburton Highlands Health Services Corporation. The Foundation also supports education programs such as \$1,000 Bursary for HHHS Registered Nurses and Registered Practical Nurses and a \$500 Bursary for a HHSS student entering the health services field.

The publicity and communications for the HHHS is taken care of by the Foundation as well.

Dale Walker, Executive Director of the Foundation explains a little more, "The Hospitals and the community are growing and have on-going needs. We're here to try to accommodate those needs and we'll continue to fund raise even after the capital loan is paid. As a community grows, the health services need to grow as well and keep up to date with all the changes in the medical field."

To raise the funds needed to accomplish their mission of successfully completing the "Building Our Future" capital campaign, the Foundation is involved in many special events and fundraisers within the community. One of these events, the Delta Pinestone/Rotary Charity Golf Classic held on July 24th was a great success raising \$49,000 for the Health Care Facilities thanks to all the enthusiastic golfers and sponsors.



Dale Walker

Don't Miss Gala Dinner, Dance & Auction This September!

The Foundation's upcoming annual Gala Dinner, Dance and Auction on Saturday, September 20th at the Wigamog Inn Resort is gearing up to be the event of the summer and one you shouldn't miss! The theme of the Gala this year is "Martinis and Masks" and everyone intending to go has a choice of wearing 'beautiful black' or 'wonderful white'. Your host for the evening will be Wendy Gray from the Moose 97.7 FM radio station and the dancing will begin at 6:00 pm to the wonderful music of the Lincolnares, (brought back by popular demand!).

As well as this already exciting agenda, there will be a silent auction taking place throughout the evening and the highest bidder of the sealed bid auction for the "Haliburton Room" donated by the Carriage House that has been on-going, will finally be revealed.

There's only a limited number of tickets available for this special event and at \$100 per ticket, they're sure to go fast so be sure to contact the Foundation at 457-1580 or email at foundation@hhhs.on.ca to reserve yours soon!



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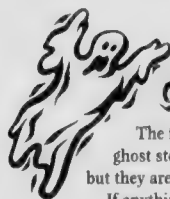
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If you like antiques, be sure to visit some of our local antique dealers on September 20th & 21st during the Central Ontario Annual Antique Shops tour.

The tour is self guided which directs you to each location and hopefully that perfect find. The tour stretches all the way from around Sunderland through to Omamee, up north to Haliburton and more.

Four local dealers on the tour are Gambells Antiques in Minden, Antiques and Neat Stuff in Haliburton, Out of Time Antiques in Haliburton and Calder's Antiques on Hwy 35 in Norland.

Brochures for all dealers on the tour are available at participating locations and can point you in the right direction to dealers from all over central Ontario who are part of the tour.



GHOST STORIES

The following is a fun little column for those who like ghost stories... Whether these are true or not we don't know, but they are stories told by those who believe they saw real ghosts !! If anything, they do make for interesting little stories... enjoy.

The Madonna of Bachelor's Grove

This photo was taken during an investigation of Bachelor's Grove cemetery near Chicago by the Ghost Research Society (GRS). On August 10, 1991, several members of the GRS were at the cemetery, a small, abandoned graveyard on the edge of the Rubio Woods Forest Preserve, near the suburb of Midlothian, Illinois. Reputed to be one of the most haunted cemeteries in the U.S., Bachelor's Grove has been the site of well over 100 different reports of strange phenomena, including apparitions, unexplained sights and sounds, and even glowing balls of light.



GRS member Mari Huff was taking black and white photos with a high-speed

infrared camera in an area where the group had experienced some anomalies with their ghost-hunting equipment. The cemetery was empty, except for the GRS members. When developed, this image emerged: what looks like a lonely-looking young woman dressed in white sitting on a tombstone. Parts of her body are partially transparent and the style of the dress seems to be out of date.

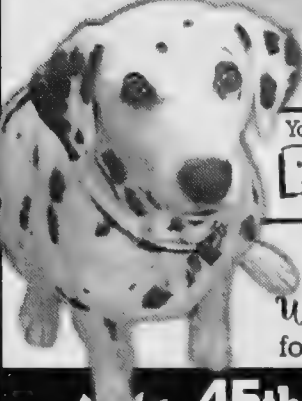
Other ghosts reportedly seen in Bachelor's Grove include figures in monks' clothes and the spirit of a glowing yellow man.

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Enjoy campfire socials, dinner parties, fish derby's, outdoor art, wildlife calling as well as many other things. All this for only \$160.00 for the weekend. You'll leave with memories that will last a lifetime. For more information or to register for the WOW Program, call Rhonda at 705-748-6324 or visit www.ofah.org.

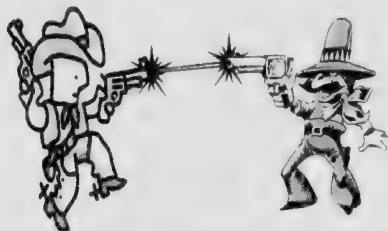
Trees to Lumber Workshop

If you are a landowner with a wood lot you may be interested in an upcoming workshop at the Leslie M. Frost Centre on Sept. 12th. The workshop will teach you about the value and economics involved in selling your standing timber. The workshop will start off with an indoor presentation on the local economics of marketing your forest products. You will then be taken to the field to see and discuss all aspects of forest management from a landowners perspective including the role of tree markers, talking with a logger and finally you will visit a mill to see first hand what products are recovered. You will come to understand how selective forest management can benefit the forest health and wildlife.

To register for the workshop, please call 705-766-2451. The cost for the workshop is only \$15.00 per person and runs from 9:00 am till 3:30 pm.

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Lapidary??? What's That???

By Shirley Lucas

Want to try something different. why not Lapidary? For those of you that aren't aware of what Lapidary is, it's the art and science of making something useful and beautiful out of rock. It is usually done with non-precious stones, although you can use them if you'd like. With this unique art form, you can create beautiful pieces such as jewelry, all types of clocks, frames, tea-lites, bird houses, artifacts for the garden and just about anything your imagination conjures up.

The Lapidary at the Frost Centre, just outside of Dorset on Hwy. 35 has been around for 30 years. Lapidary instructor, Leslie O'Neill explains one of the reasons why she enjoys her field so much, "You never know what amazing things you'll see when you cut into a rock."

She says this art form allows you to make keepsakes from all your travels. "If you're someone who travels to a lot of different areas and you find a piece of rock from wherever you are and you'd like to make it into something as a souvenir, you can come to a lapidary workshop at the Frost Centre and at the same time learn more about the different types of rock in this area as well as other places."

In just the short period of time I spent at the lapidary, I had the opportunity to learn a little bit about some of the awesome rocks that Leslie incorporates in her art work such as the daisy stone that's found in the Timmons area and considered to be 11 million years old (the patterns and colours on the inside of this stone are incredible!), the beautiful marble found in Gelert and the local Feldspar with epidote veins that is found locally as well.

Leslie also explained to me the difference between what a rock is and what a mineral is. It's a rock if it is made up of two or more minerals. A few examples of this would be granite, sandstone, gneiss and sodolite. It's a mineral if it's made up of just that, one mineral. For example, marble, homeblende, quartz, garnet and jadeite are all minerals.

The classes that are available in the lapidary workshop at the Frost Centre consist of teaching you a little bit about the various rocks, the processes of working in the shop, a tour, the designing of your own masterpiece and then doing the actual work. You'll learn to work with templates, grinders, etchers and saws to create a variety of shapes out of stone such as arrowheads, cabichons, bears, fish, eggs, pyramids and many more. In the beginning, Leslie encourages her students to keep their designs simple. She explains the Measure of Hardness (MOH) scale that she goes by, beginning with talc as the softest to diamonds, the strongest rock there is.



Classes at the lapidary run Monday's to Friday's from 9:00 am till 5:00 pm and each class is approximately 3 hours in length. Saturday workshops are also available and can be booked through the front desk at the Centre. These workshops and classes would be extremely interesting and fun for any bead societies that are in the area, or for any women's groups that are looking for new things to bring out their artistic skills.

The lapidary also offers a rock cutting service, and for the stained glass artists, they can cut rock into thin slices to allow the user the chance to incorporate rock with glass in their work.

For more information on the lapidary or to find out how to sign up for classes or workshops, you can reach the Frost Centre at 705-766-2451 and be on your way to becoming an artist in your own right. If you happen to be visiting the Frost Centre, be sure to check out the lapidary

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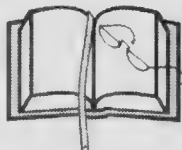
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The Difference Between a Court and a Tribunal

There are two main forums for resolving a legal dispute: a court of law and an administrative board or tribunal. A court of law is an ancient adjudicative forum with inherent jurisdiction in legal matters independent of any statute which may affect it. Its rules of procedure are complicated and it is constricted by longstanding rules of evidence. All legal matters can be brought in a court of law except those matters delegated exclusively to the expertise of a tribunal.

The proliferation of tribunals as an adjudicative forum is a relatively new phenomenon. A tribunal is created by statute and its powers and jurisdiction are governed by statute. Tribunals are specialized "courts" dealing with a narrow area of law, such as, workers' compensation (Workplace Safety and Insurance Board) or tenant rights (Ontario Rental Housing Tribunal), and their procedure is usually streamlined to dispense justice in a quick, inexpensive, summary manner.

There are many differences between a tribunal proceeding and a court proceeding. In a tribunal proceeding, there is usually no provision for the exchange of formal pleadings, such as a statement of claim or defence. There is no right to have disclosure of documents or oral evidence prior to the hearing. Unlike courts, tribunals often accept hearsay evidence and unsworn testimony. While a court is bound by its findings once judgment is pronounced, a tribunal decision is not considered final unless the statute so provides and may be varied or reversed where it seems just or desirable to do so.

A tribunal decision may ultimately be reviewed by a court of law through a process called judicial review. In this "appeal" process, a court is limited in its review to determining whether the tribunal decision meets the standard of reasonableness. Considerable deference is given to the tribunal's expertise in the judicial review process.

In the next column, I will be talking about the Road Access Act.

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The Town of Hell

You have to go through Hell to get to Trondheim, Norway. But it's worth it.

That's Hell, Norway — a town northeast of Trondheim — (and "hell" means good luck in Norwegian.)

The village of Hell lies in the municipality of Stjørdal, 30 km northeast of Trondheim on the E6 highway.

Norway is the country, Hell is the place. Hell is approx. 2,657,000 square yards, with a population of 352 — which includes Miss Universe 1990.

At Steinmohaugen in Hell, there are historical traces of earlier settlements and rock carvings which date back to the Stone Age, 6,000 years ago. One of the largest collections of rock carvings in Northern Europe, dating back to the Bronze Age, can be found at Leirfall in Hegra.

Hellir, which was the original name of the town, dates back to



year 2000 BC. Hell is the heart of the communications between northern and southern Norway. Back in the old days you had to

cross the river on a ferry to go further north. The first bridge across the river was built in 1856, and is now the main thoroughfare on the European Highway No. 6 (Highway to Hell).

The Hell district is today a well trafficked junction with many active businesses, including shops, a post office, a souvenir shop, kiosk / video hire, petrol station, garage, cafeteria, hotel and lumber industry etc. Perhaps the most famous feature is Hell railway station and, of course, the sign (in Norwegian) stating "Gods Expedition". Although the station is now closed, trains do still stop to visit it.

The name Norway means 'the way to the north.' In the lee of the islands that curb the force of the Atlantic waves, people have for thousands of years made their way towards the Arctic Ocean in the search for new fishing and hunting grounds. Most Norwegians live near the coast... Salmon fishing in the Stjørdalselva, one of the country's best salmon rivers, is particularly popular.

The Seafood is Great

When visiting Hell, be sure to make the trip to Trondheim. It is a modern city with ancient ties. The second-oldest city in Norway, after Tonsberg, it was established in 997 as the settlement Nidaros by Trygvason.

Trygvason was a great-grandson of Harald the Fair Haired, who had many years earlier defeated the region's other many small kingdoms and set himself up as ruler.

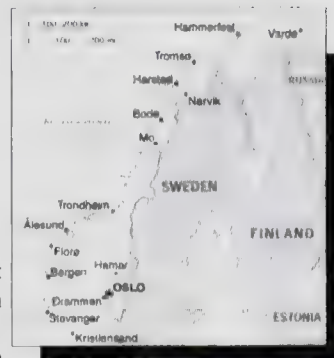
For something else to do in the area, try the food. Trondheim & Hell is a seafood lover's paradise. Its restaurants offer fresh-out-of-the-fjord fish dishes such as turbot (a white fish along the lines of halibut and grouper, but leaner) and whale steaks.

The whale steaks, like all the seafood dishes, are more inexpensive than you might expect. It's a red meat, more like a beef steak than seafood — what one would expect of a mammal, but not what one would expect out of the sea.

The Climate in Hell is Not Always Hot

Hell here in Norway isn't as hot as the more famous one. During the Christmas of 1995, the temperature was less than 25 degrees (C) below zero. This gives a new meaning to the expression: "Until Hell freezes over!". During the winter season it does so all the time in Norway!

Norway is a ruggedly beautiful country of mountains, fjords and glaciers. It offers incredible wilderness hiking, year-round skiing, and some of the most scenic ferry, bus and train rides imaginable. The 'Land of the Midnight Sun' has delightfully long summer days, pleasantly low-key cities, unspoiled fishing villages and rich historic sites that include Viking ships and medieval stave churches.



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Rock Products

Up at the Frost Centre you can find amazing products made from rock in the Lapidary Department Gift Shop. There is so much and they are all "Hot Products" you must simply see for yourself. Everything from candle holders, to jewellery to rock frames and more...



See inside this issue for story on the art of Lapidary.



Why? Because ... Scientifically Speaking



How are Giraffes born?

Giraffes give birth standing up. The young enter the world with a 6 to 7 foot drop. The newborn is normally able to stand up 5 minutes to an hour after birth.

What is the best way to survive an avalanche?

Being swept up by an avalanche is a lot like being caught in a big-water wave. The greatest danger is of being buried when the avalanche stops, because then the snow becomes highly compacted and one can suffocate even a short distance below the surface. So while the snow is still moving, one should make the best attempt possible to swim to the surface and stay there.

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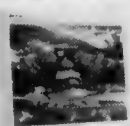
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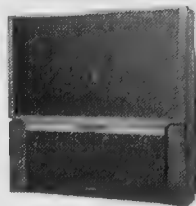
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EVOLVING IN A WIRED WORLD

by John Pender

Coping with Black-outs & Bugs.....

So the power went out. And we had the most beautiful and serene meteor shower to accent its presence. I wonder if people, sitting in the dark, looked up to the skies and wondered if it was some sort of fate that brought so much light to so much darkness. And the ink of that humid dark night may have been relieved by the 3-quarter moon and the streaks of light that flared across the sky.

Electricity is crucial to my existence. Really it is. So when the lights dimmed and went out on August 14th I was truly frightened. I watched TV on my computer and read the latest updates on cnn.com. I ate sandwiches with my face glued to my monitor. Waiting. Waiting for the power here in Haliburton village to go out.

So far so good. But then again, I have taken precautions. Just ask any geek, they'll tell you what the biggest problem to anyone that has a computer is. A sudden and unasked for surge in electrical power. On Thursday, at about 4:15 pm, while sitting in front of my monitor and enjoying the cool breeze vented by my stand up classic fan with a 50 watt power supply and blades that are guaranteed to cool a rhinoceros on the Serengeti, the motor hummed at an eardrum splitting pitch and began to smoke and the motion of those blades began to aggravate themselves to take off speed. Just for a moment...And then back to normal. The circuit breakers on all my surge protectors blew and all my systems shut down. But. All my computers are ok because I have taken the precaution of putting heavy-duty surge protectors and battery back ups in. The fan is ok too, even though it tried to escape.

So. The moral of the story is this. If you have a computer, or if you have a stereo, or a TV, or fax machine, or blender, or a vegamatic 5000 - you should invest in some surge protectors. They will save you from expensive electrical disorders and prolong the life of your very expensive electronics. If you run very critical systems and need a little bit of an extra boost, you can purchase a ups unit (uninterruptible power supply). They have a big battery in them and will give those devices plugged into it extra protection against surges and power drops. They also give you from a minute or two of power to quite a few minutes of electricity if Brent, over at the I.M.O. (independent market operator), made a small error in the database that decides who gets power and who doesn't. That is great when you need to save a very important bit of data or finish making that frozen margarita before the power is completely gone.

If you are in major need of data protection or are really adamant about having your website up, even in the worst cases, you should make sure that stuff is stored in a place that has generators and the like. For example, because I am paranoid, I keep all my clients web stuff and email and important data on my main server space. It is in a building that has generators on the roof and will run forever even if the power that Ontario hydro sells goes away.

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Evolving in a Wired World cont'd...

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And Now For The Vicious Virus...

As if the largest blackout in North American history wasn't bad enough, we have had one of the most profoundly visible viruses explode on the scene at the same time. W32.blaster.worm. Msblast. This is a rather nasty piece of work. Its goal in life is to bring down the windows update web site by exploiting a vulnerability in a bunch of Microsoft operating systems. The most notable and visible effect to a computer user is that it will reboot your computer over and over again. It is not a subtle virus. If you have it you will know it.

So. How do you protect yourself? Make sure you are doing your windows updates and virus software upgrades. There are, quite often, upgrades to your operating system available and protection from viruses as they come out. To do a windows update is not at all difficult although it may be time consuming based on a couple of factors: 1. The speed at which data traverses the wires to get to your computer. 2. The amount of data that you need to get installed on your computer (i.e., if it's been a while since you've done an update you may have a very long wait)

These updates and upgrades are usually free, and most importantly, critical to the security of your computer. Get yourself a surge protector or ups. They will save you a small fortune in maintenance fees and headaches and melted margaritas. If you have any problems doing these updates or finding out how to get equipment you may need or if you are not quite sure what you need to do, call your local geek and ask. Or call me. Call Jeff or Steve or Mike at System Software (705-286-6580). Email Michael Kursbatt (miketech@sympatico.ca) or head over to radio shack or... Well there are plenty of others, take a look in the yellow pages or through these pages for the listings of folks that would love to help you out.

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The reason I am letting you all know is that this will cause some inconsistencies in my availability. As phones transfer and Internet hookups get replaced and as we pack and move, I may be less available than usual. Please bare with me and understand that all projects in the works remain so and services will plug on just as they did through the black out. (Way to go Threshold Internet and candlelight).

Thank you!!!
John Pender

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FOR THE YOUTH

Here's some cool things happening in
the Highlands just for you!

Mega Paintball Game!!

If you're looking for some excitement on the long weekend, why not give paintball a try? This weekend Donna & Trevor at Screaming Eagle Paintball are holding a Mega Game on the Saturday of the long weekend for ages 11 and up. Their 'back to school' special event is only \$30 and that includes the gun, 100 paintballs and lunch!

If you wanna get in on this Mega game, you best book your space early. Screaming Eagle Paintball is located on County Rd. 14, near Eagle Lake. For more info, or to book your spot, call 754-1840.

Cool Website of the Month:

With all the hub-bub about viruses, here's a site that could save your computer... www.microsoft.com/security/protect/
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Haliburton Legion Celebrates 75th Anniversary

Be sure not to miss out on the 75th Anniversary Celebrations for the Haliburton Royal Canadian Legion, Br. 129 that will be taking place on Saturday, August 30th. The fun begins at 12:00 pm and will carry on throughout the day until 9:00 pm. The Legion will be open to anyone who wishes to visit as they're celebrating this special occasion. There will be an "Open Stage" beginning at 2:00 pm and of course, there will be birthday cake for everyone! Beef on a Bun will also be available for \$4.00.

The Legion is hoping that all members, especially surviving past-presidents will attend and share their memories. There will also be a small souvenir booklet available which contains some of the past history and pictures of the Haliburton Legion.

A Look Back: From It's Beginning To Now

According to the Highland Veteran, the Haliburton Legion bulletin, *(their bulletin has won an award for "Best Bulletin" in the district for 4 years running)*, Branch 129 was organized in 1927 and received its charter on August 21st, 1928. Leadership was provided by A.G. Schofield, Dr. Frain and Edgar Bentham as well as others.

Alfred George Schofield served with the British Army as a Postal Corps Sergeant in the 1st World War. His career took him from England to California, back to England and finally here to Haliburton County where he settled in Wilberforce. In 1928, Alfred became a member of the Haliburton Legion. However, the Great Depression had hit Haliburton County particularly hard and interest in the Legion flagged to the point

where A.G. was the only member. From 1936 to 1944, he continued to pay his per capita tax to command mainly to keep the Legion Charter alive.

It is recorded that on September 14th, 1932 a motion was made to disband and surrender the charter. The funds were turned over to a newly formed "Haliburton Soldiers Club" which functioned for five years and then petered out. A.G. was the Legion secretary at the time and he decided to tuck the charter away instead of returning it. In 1944, the veterans began returning from the war and A.G. produced the long forgotten charter and plans were set in motion to re-organize. There were only a few veterans and no funds, but they persisted and by 1945 they had purchased Haliburton's first Legion Hall - they were free from debt and had funds in the bank.

In 1945, they were responsible for taking care of Welfare, Pensions, Rehabilitation, re-establishment of credit, among other chores. In February 1945 thirty ladies became charter members of the Ladies' Auxiliary.

Neither Flood, Nor Fire, Nor Theft Can Stop This Group!!

In 1952 the Legion Hall was completely destroyed by fire, but the monies for a new building were secured and the new Legion was erected. The mortgage was burned on November 21st, 1960. On April 6th, 1963 the Hall was once again destroyed by fire. The charters were lost, \$2,000 worth of band instruments, all records, many memoirs and collection of war souvenirs. The loss was only partly covered by insurance, but members rolled up their sleeves and went to work once again to save their Legion. One year later in 1964, the new and still present building of Branch 129 was officially opened and dedicated. A mortgage of \$41,000 existed along with \$19,000 of shares.

A weekly bingo was operated and an annual car draw along with other draws and special functions helped to raise funds. The Ladies' Auxiliary were always there to help as well, catering to weddings, banquets to name a few and turning over money to the branch to help pay off the mortgage. In November 1970, the mortgage was once again paid off and burned.

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Haliburton Legion An Asset To The Community

The Haliburton Legion has proven itself in many ways to be a major asset in the community. Their generous donations to the charities and special needs groups in the area have been greatly appreciated. Youth Education has always been a top priority for Branch 129. A number of scholarships are given to graduating high school students every year. The Legion is involved with all the schools in planning and executing their Remembrance Day Services. Poster, poem and essay contests are held every fall and Public Speaking Contests are held in February each year. In 1996, the Branch sponsored a Drug Awareness Program in the schools and they are also sponsoring a Safety Program this year. The Legion always tries to give donations to sports and any other programs that involve students like the Haliburton Track and Field Club that were formed in 1996 under the sponsorship of Branch 129.

The Hastings and Prince Edward Regiment R.C. in Haliburton (#1129 Cadet Corp) is also sponsored by the Haliburton Legion. Since their beginning in 1985, they have won the Eastern Ontario Area Lord Strathcona Award for the most efficient in their class four times. They train every Tuesday evening at the Legion Hall and help with Remembrance Day Services, Track and Field Meets, Poppy Campaigns, Parades and other Legion functions.

Say Thank You On August 30 & Celebrate Their 75th!!

The Haliburton Legion's contributions to the community are wide and varied, so be sure to take a few minutes on August 30th to drop in and help them celebrate their 75th birthday and while there, take a look at the Wall of Remembrance that has been started on the outside wall of the Legion. Three sections have been painted to this date and others will be completed according to the sale of the blocks. Anyone may purchase blocks. You do not have to be a member of the Legion. Blocks

The Haliburton Legion has quite the past and you are welcome to come share some of the stories during their anniversary celebration.

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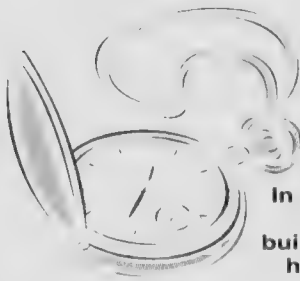
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OUR HISTORY

A Step back in time ...

In this column we look at some of our local history - be it historic sites, buildings, events, places or people that have been part of this great county.

The Haliburton Highlands Trails and Tours Network are at it again. This hard working group has gone into partnership with the Municipality of Highlands East and the Algonquin Gateway Business Association in a joint effort to develop the Irondale, Bancroft and Ottawa Rail Line (IB&O). This 30 km. shared use trail that runs between Gooderham and Wilberforce in Highlands East, celebrates the natural and cultural history of the old IB&O and has become part of the Adopt-a-Metre campaign that the Trails and Tours Network has initiated to develop and promote the trails and tours in Haliburton County.

A Trails Committee has been formed to monitor and guide the Rail Trail project as well as other future trail projects in the municipality such as the development of a hiking trail up Green's Mountain located just outside of Gooderham with access off Hwy. 507 South.

The Trails and Tours Network are contributing \$30,000 for trail construction and proper signage for the IB&O project with additional funding being raised through the Adopt-a-Metre campaign. Anyone can adopt a metre of the IB&O Trail for \$25.00 and businesses for \$100.00. Application forms can be picked up at the Highlands East Municipal Office and local stores in the area or you can go on-line at www.trailsandtours.com or call 489-4049 for more information.

A Look Back at the old IB&O:

The history of the IB&O Railway goes back many years and is full of many interesting stories fondly remembered by many people in the area that had the opportunity of riding it. According to Valerie Smith of Harcourt, when Haliburton County was formed, fifteen townships were municipally organized and at the first meeting of the County Council in Minden on June 18th, 1874 the council reviewed the need for the extension of the Victoria Railway Company to the Haliburton area. The settlers of the area wanted to build a railway from Lindsay to the northern townships and they were looking for the townships of Haliburton County for funding or bonuses in order to develop the railway north. At the time of the vote, there were 886 ratepayers and when the vote was taken on bringing the rail to the county, there were 248 in favour and 60 against. The Council soon passed a by-law that the ratepayers would go into debt for \$55,000, which would be used as a bonus to the railway company to bring the rail line to Haliburton County.

It is said by many that the IB&O was made possible by the endeavours of one man in particular, an American gentleman by the name of C. Jonathan Pusey. According to an article that appeared in the Toronto Globe in 1898, Jonathan was "the man who has done more than any other man alive to open up and develop Haliburton County." At one time the original settlement of Wilberforce was named after this man and was known at that time as "Pusey".

Apparently at one time there was a short railway line in Snowden

IB&O Rail Trail

"The Snail Trail"

By Shirley Lucas & History by Valerie Smith

Township owned by the Toronto Iron Company (Jonathan's original company). Also included in their holdings were an additional 34,000 acres on which they staked two claims on iron out cropping along the proposed railway route.

When the project was a little less than completed - almost half way to Ottawa, the Toronto and Nippissing Railway along with promoter William Gooderham stopped the project. This led to C.J. Pusey and Henry Howland incorporating on May 5th, 1880. By 1884 a name change took place and the IB&O came to be.

The IB&O never reached Ottawa as was intended. Its eastern terminus was the York River and it ended up joining another line to get the last two miles into Bancroft. The building of the 51 miles of railway bed through the rugged bush terrain of the Highlands was no easy task. There were many obstacles to overcome such as the time one of the line's sub contractors ran out of

blasting powder and they were forced to lay the tracks around a very large pine stump, which sat on a large rock. They couldn't get the rock out, so they went around it. Where the track looped became known as "Pine Stump Curve".

In spite of the many obstacles, Pusey had deadlines to meet and being a determined individual, he didn't let that hinder him. At one time to keep his charter, Pusey had to have a locomotive as far as Gooderham by a certain date. As the deadline neared, it became obvious to him that it would be impossible to lay the required six miles of track that was still needed in time. Being determined, he set off through the virgin wilderness with a locomotive and two lengths of track. With the locomotive on the forward length of rail, Pusey's men picked up the back length to lie in front again. They repeated this "leap frog" process hundreds of times and they had the locomotive standing in Gooderham at the appointed hour. One way or another, the deadline was met.

The fondly remembered IB&O was never known for being fast. At 15 miles per hour, it suffered frequent derailments but it was an improvement over the early roads (trails) that meandered through the bush and around the granite boulders. Sometimes referred to as the 'IB&Slow', in its final years of operation it still didn't go any faster than 20 mph, even with the small diesel engine that succeeded the last steam locomotive. The best time the IB&O made in covering its 51 miles of track was 4 hours and there was never much hope of it sticking to a timetable.

It was noted somewhere that "School commenced in Harcourt on September 2nd, 1936 with Miss Margaret Smith as teacher being one day late due to poor train service."

In a 1945 issue of The Canadian Press News, of London England that was distributed to Canadian servicemen overseas during WWII,

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*The IB&O
now*

'Snail Trail' Runs For Last Time on April Fools Day



A painting on the side of the firehall in Wilberforce shows a scene of the days of the IB & O

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the IB&O was referred to as the "Pigfeed Special" as it was always three days late. Time meant little on the IB&O and no one was in a hurry.

In spite of some of the problems the IB&O had, it was still a better method of travel than on the trails. In 1897, the IB&O was running specials and offering excursions. One was advertised for a trip to Gooderham for the August Civic Holiday for a half-fare ticket both ways and quite a number of people from Bancroft went. Sunday School Picnics were also a specialty of the IB&O and after its rails reached Bancroft, blueberry pickers could ride to the York River Junction for fifteen cents return fare and have their berries carried home in the baggage car without charge.

The railway not only carried many generations of passengers, but mixed freight as well. It improved mail service, settlement populations were increased and lumber was transported out more easily. During World War II, the IB&O carried German prisoners of war into Harcourt to be taken to work at the Standard Chemical logging camp. In the spring after the break up, they were still short of men in the camp so 4 of the approximately 15 men that were transported, were kept back to continue to work.

Jonathan Pusey died in July of 1899 and although he did not achieve all of his goals, many for a long time to come will happily think of the work he did in bringing the railway to the Highlands.

Post-war developments of year round road networks were the beginning of the end for the 80-year-old rail line. As Ontario highways improved and labour costs increased, shipping by truck became more attractive and rehandling shipments from rail sidings became less desirable. These and other factors influenced the Canadian National Railway's decision to close out its Irondale, Bancroft and Ottawa line.

April 1st (April Fool's Day), 1960 the train ran for the last time. Many local people made the last ride on the IB&O and school children were given free passage on this historical day. It was a sad time marking the end to a once vibrant and lucrative era. By August 11th, 1960 the tracks had been taken up. The old rail that was used in the 1880's was made from British steel and was known for its excellent quality and was much sought after. A U.S. razor blade firm put in bids for the rail, as they could not find modern steel to match it.

With so many years of history behind it, it will be great to see the IB&O railway bed developed into a trail that the people of the Highlands can enjoy once again! Be sure to get your application to adopt a metre of this wonderful recreational trail!

Thanks to Valerie Smith for all her hard work in collecting so much information on the IB&O!

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Di's Bait & Tackle Closing After 15 Years!

After 13 years in the bait and tackle business, Di's looking forward to trying something new. Labour Day Weekend will be the last time you'll find Di behind the counter of her Bait and Tackle store in her home on Grace River Rd. in Wilberforce.



"I've been doing this for the better part of 13 years," Di says, "It's time for a change. It will be great to be able to spend more time with my children and to start putting more into my new venture, Mary Kay Cosmetics, although I'm going to miss everybody very much as I got to see them on a regular basis and a lot of my customers have become friends over the years."

The bait and tackle store has had reduced hours over the summer as well as reduced prices on everything in the store. There is still inventory left so be sure to drop in and make your selection before the long weekend is over.

Di and her husband Chris Meharrie, first met in Brampton where they both lived. In 1990, Chris and Dianne moved to Wilberforce to help Chris's Dad, Fred Meharrie at the garage in Wilberforce that he had recently taken over. The little building situated beside the garage had at one time been a bait shop, so Dianne decided to re-open it and that was the beginning of her bait and tackle business that would carry her over the next 13 years.

When asked what she has learned from her many years in business, Di replies, "I never really fished much before coming to this area, so I've learned a whole lot about the items in the store, what they're used for and how to use them. I've finally taken the time in the last few years to do some fishing myself. I'm also really looking forward to the deer hunt this year."

Di has been hunting for three years now and is really enjoying it. During her second year of hunting, she got her first deer and was the talk of the town!

While talking, I asked Di what was the largest fish she had seen come in over the years. Her reply, "The biggest that I actually saw was a 12 lb lake trout one winter but 5 or 6 years ago in the spring, I had a gentleman send me a picture of a 20 lb lake trout that he had caught in Esson Lake. That was one big fish!"

According to Di, the best live bait this year in the area was worms, but it definitely used to be frogs when it was easier to get them which was before restrictions were put on them and

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Meet Artist Gary Blundell

by Shirley Lucas

If you happen to be passing through the downtown section of Haliburton before the second of September, take a minute to stop by the Rails End Gallery. The Gallery has been presenting some of the incredible works of local landscape artist, E.G. Blundell's "Rock Candy" exhibit.

During the first 10 years that Gary Blundell was exploring his abilities as a landscape artist, his tendency to lean towards the traditional Canadian landscape paintings made him begin to realize that his paintings at the time were more about the subject itself, than how he was feeling about the subject. Deciding he wanted to search out something that would be more personal and reflective of his feelings within himself, he started trying some different techniques.

With his background in Earth Sciences in which he received his Hon. B. Sc., Earth Sciences from the University of Waterloo in 1983 he began exploring more geographical patterns using various techniques and surfaces such as rock, wood, canvass and paper. His works today, as you will see when you visit his exhibit at the Rails End Gallery, are sculpted wood surfaces that he prepares himself, layered with plaster and bright, vibrant oil paint. The results are vivid interpretations that according to Gary, "allow the viewer to experience the mystery and complication of the detailed patterns found in rock." He explains, "most of my work is inspired by close up patterns in nature. I do a lot of field work looking for patterns in road cuts, lake shores and cliff edges."

Over the past 10 years of his career, Gary has often been mistaken for a traditional abstract artist, but his answer to this is simple, "I have found there to be no difference in realism and abstraction. To me they are one and the same thing. It's always about what each individual sees and feels internally and externally and how they relate that to the things around them."

Gary's major influences came from the abstract expressionist movements such as the Auto Matiste Movement out of Montreal as well as Jackson Pollack and Willem deKooning. Gary was also very inspired by Patterson Ewen for his work on carved wood and the tools he used to create them such as a router.

Gary, originally from Ottawa, has been exhibiting his work a lot this



year in Toronto, Cornwall, Ottawa and Burlington. He and his wife Victoria Ward, a very talented artist and writer, have resided in the Highlands for the past 3-1/2 years, devoting themselves to their chosen professions. Gary also teaches a class on "Sketching on site and in the Studio" at the Haliburton School of Fine Arts. He is also currently involved in negotiations with the University of Waterloo they want to commission Gary to do a painting on their new Earth Sciences Building of which he is an Alumni

Victoria is pleased to announce the recent publication of her book of poetry "Notes From a Log Cabin" and that it is now available to purchase by going to the couple's website at www.hotspurstudio.com. While there, you'll have the opportunity to see the many accomplishments of Gary and Victoria as well as see some of the incredible artworks they have created

You know you're getting old when you reach down to get the wrinkles out of your panty hose and your realize you aren't wearing any!!

Di's Bait & Tackle Closing ...

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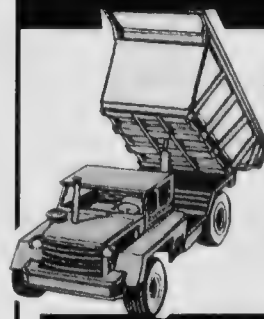
the price increased. The best tackle Di says are the old faithful bass lures such as the jitter bugs, torpedoes and the hula poppers.

As you can see, Di knows a little about the bait and tackle business and will be sorely missed by all of her regular customers.

At the same time, Di is very grateful to everyone who patronized her store over the years and would like to say a big thank you to all of you.

Good luck Di in your new business venture! Don't forget to take some time out though for the hunt! Anyone interested in speaking to Di about her line of Mary Kay Cosmetics can reach her by calling 448-3824.

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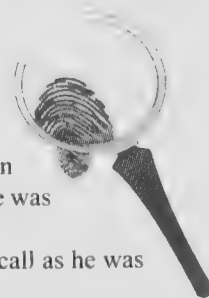
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Who Dun-It

by Jason Barry



Detective Minden was a firm believer in early to bed early to rise, which is why he was up at dawn every morning.

This particular morning he received a call as he was sitting down to eat his breakfast.

"Sorry to bother you detective, but if at all possible could you come to Grace Lake, there has been a murder. My car is out front of the crime scene."

"Yes Chief, I'll be right over."

Upon arriving, Minden was shown to the den where Chief Irondale was sitting with a young man.

"Ahh, Minden. Thank you for coming. This is Author Ritis; he is the victim's grounds keeper. He is the one who found the body".

"Well sir, may I ask you a few questions?" Minden asked Author compassionately.

"I'll answer the best I can."

Replied Author shakily.

"Good, now tell me how you came to find the body"

"Well sir, I've been the grounds keeper for about three years now. Every morning I come and water the gardens. Every Thursday I get paid and being Thursday I came in to get my pay. As I entered the den it was dark and I tripped over the body. I was so scared that I ran and phoned the cops right away."

"Have you touched anything?"

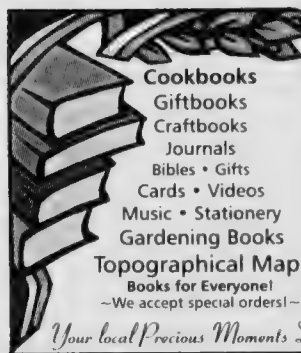
"No sir"

Minden stood and walked around the brightly lit den and surveyed the plush leather couch, mahogany desk and silk curtains tied back with a gold rope.

"Well Author why don't you tell me the reason you killed your boss?"

Why did Detective Minden suspect Author?

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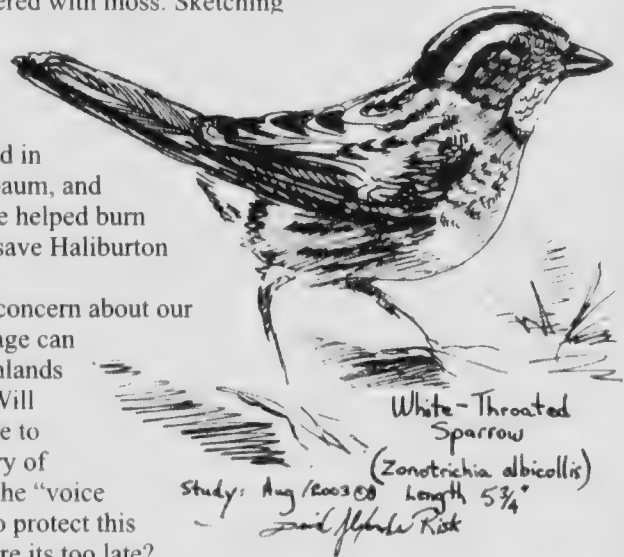
*From the sketch-book of
Artist & Naturalist David Alexander Risk*

As the morning mist began to lift, I found myself witnessing the miracle of nature unfolding before me as I stood in awe, deep within the Haliburton Forest and Wildlife Reserve. A white-throated sparrow broke the silence of this ancient forest, as I watched rays of sunlight dance through the towering pines. Spots of sunlight revealed the wealth of a biological diversity from the forest canopy to the forest floor. Before me lay a nursery log covered with moss. Sketching quickly I began to wonder if it could be hiding the cure for an incurable disease just waiting to be discovered.

Its been said "people will protect what they love and understand". Over the years I've been blessed in having mentors such as Peter and Elke Schleifenbaum, and Ron and Sharon Lawrence. These champions have helped burn within my heart a passion to do all I can to help save Haliburton Highlands rich natural heritage.

Through my artwork, I have a mandate to share a concern about our endangered wilderness. Haliburton's natural heritage can only be saved for posterity if the people of the Highlands and this great country really want it to be saved. Will our children and grandchildren be given the chance to experience the glory of nature? Who will be the "voice in the wilderness" to protect this fragile treasure before its too late?

Best wishes - David Alexander Risk



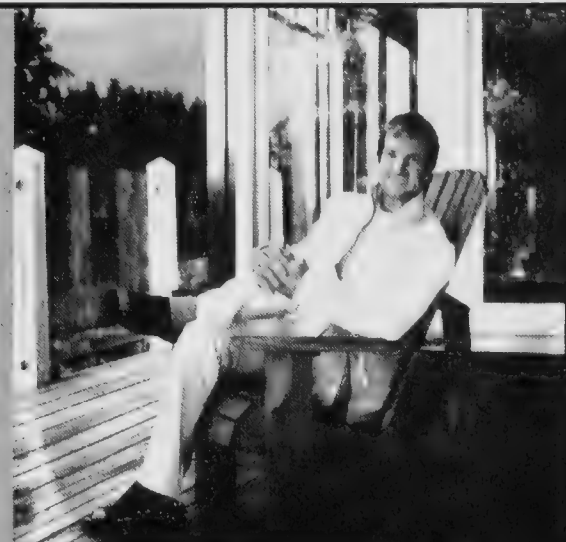
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By Brett Irvine

Wintergreen Pancake Barn - Flavor Bursting At The Seams!

"Wow! That's good! Yeah I like that! That's amazing! Whoa, that's the best BBQ Sauce I've ever tried!"

These were the words spewing out of my mouth (and then some) at the Wintergreen Pancake Barn in Gelert as owner Tom Dawson spoon-feed me samples of their homemade syrups, mustards, & BBQ sauces. I've never tasted so many amazing flavors in my life! If you like BBQ sauces, jams, jellies or syrups, you need to visit this place and see (or taste) for yourself.

"It's a great product testing venue," says Tom. "It's great because people can sample the product right here and give us their feedback."

I swear if you don't walk out with some product as excited as I was when I left, you simply forgot your wallet!!



Wintergreen Pancake Barn in Gelert will tempt and satisfy your taste buds with over forty fruit jams, jellies & marmalades, mustards, plus twelve new fruit syrups and eight different BBQ sauces to enhance any meat you wish to spice up. All are available for you to take home or give to someone as a gift.

Wintergreen can send you on your way with spice racks topped with different product that make amazing gifts for \$10.00 to \$25.00. You can imagine how happy your friends or family will be with the gift of flavor. (I'd like two bottles of Apricot Syrup, three bottles

of Firecheifs Delight BBQ sauce and a bottle of Raspberry BBQ sauce. Thank you!)

You must think that this is crazy! NO, seriously once you sample the food products at Wintergreen Pancake Barn you'll know why I'm rambling on so much about the taste - because you will too after you give it a try!

A good time to "taste" the flavours of Wintergreen is at their Peach Social being held on the Labour Day long weekend (Saturday to Monday). All who attend can enjoy the Maple Restaurant Menu and check out the pancakes, sausages, waffles, French toast, pies and desserts. All with fresh peach flavored toppings. You will be able to choose your favorite syrup (or try a new one) on the food. A culinary delight is an

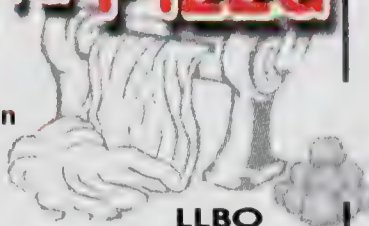
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Fruit of the Season Socials A Tasty Event

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under statement!

Tom, his wife Diane and their two children Ryan and Katie operate the family run business year round and make all the syrups, jellies, sauces and more right on sight. There is another key player involved here - "Doris Robertson is the mastermind behind the jams, jellies and sauces,"



says Tom. "We approached her three years ago to help us with the idea for going beyond simple maple syrups. She's amazing!! She's been mentored by upper generations. She also does her product by taste, not just format recipes, which is good. If it needs something she adds it," states Tom.

Wintergreen Pancake Barn is open mostly on long weekends for "Fruit of the season" socials. Already this year they have held a strawberry, raspberry and blueberry social with the peach social just around the corner, and some other exciting ones coming up.

They will also open by request. "If someone wants to come out and see us and what we do, or purchase product, we will open up for them for sure," says Tom.

The Dawson family runs a huge maple syrup operation (in their 15th year) and process all syrup on site. They have discovered that making fruit syrups from raspberry to lavender are identical in process.

"It's like a lateral shift for us" states Tom. "and the reality is that the fruit syrups are out selling the maple syrups three to one!"

Do yourself a favour and pay Wintergreen a visit. Only by experiencing it yourself can you truly understand. So many flavors of syrup! Try the BBQ sauces and please, pick me up a bottle!

To reach Wintergreen call (705) 286-3202 or stop by on the Labour Day long weekend for the Peach Social. They are located one mile north of Gelert on County Rd. 1. Watch for the red roof and happy people at the social!

Genealogy Meeting: Do You Have Royalty in Your Blood?

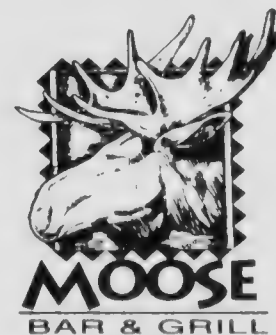
Wed. Sept. 10 - the regular meeting of the Haliburton Highlands Genealogy Group will start at 6pm, upstairs at the Minden Legion. The speaker at 7pm will be HHGG member Ray Nobles UE, who will explain how he proved his United Empire Loyalist ancestry. The April meeting of the HHGG which featured speakers from the Kawartha Branch of the United Empire Loyalists' Association of Canada was one of the best attended meetings ever, so this is a "hot" topic. Refreshments will be available. There is a fun "Bring & Win" Raffle. For more information contact Gail Leach-Wunker 705-286-2225



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Don't feel like cooking? Then bring your appetites to the "End Of Summer Big Brunch."

Branch 636 of the Royal Canadian Legion in Minden is holding an "End Of Summer Big Brunch", on Sunday August 31, and everyone is welcome!

The menu includes, soup, meats and salads, full breakfast menu, dessert table, coffee, tea and juice.

The cost is \$10.00 per adult and \$6.00 for children under 7. So bring the family and your appetites to the Minden legion on Sunday, August 31 between 10 am and 1 pm.

For further information contact P. Overington at (705) 457-9322. Bon Appetite!

As heard from a woman stating to her husband... "If you want breakfast in bed... sleep in the kitchen!!"

Fun At The County Fair



These pictures give you a small glimpse at the fun one can have at the County Fair. Don't forget that there is one more fair being held on the long weekend in Kinmount. for more info see pg. 55.

Martha Stewart Says:

Cure for headaches: Take a lime, cut it in half and rub it on your forehead. The throbbing will go away.

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Haliburton County's 'Rabid Dogs' – The Kind You Want To Hang With!!

"Rock and Roll keeps you young forever!" It's worked for the Rolling Stones, AC DC, Rush and the Guess Who, and if you've had the opportunity to hear the great sounds generated by the Rabid Dogs, you'd agree that it's certainly working for them.

When Bart Hilhorst and Frank Zieger first got together in 1988 with Bob Barclay, Bruce Metherrall, Kevin Buckley, Steve Sicas and Ronny Hopkins, it was the beginning of a partnership that would still be going strong 15 years later.

Bob Barclay was the one that first got things going by pulling this talented group of musicians together to play at a party for friends. Deciding that this could be a good thing, the group started getting together to jam. It was while on their way to

their first gig that they realized they still needed to come up with a name for the band. While pondering this dilemma, they

received a call. "Kevin Buckley phoned to say he didn't think he was going to be able to make the gig because a dog had come into his yard and attacked his animals. He was all freaked out, so we told him to calm down, leave his animals in the vet's hands and show up to play with us. When he came, everybody was teasing him about this rabid dog wreaking havoc with his life and then it dawned on us

that Rabid Dogs would be a good name for the band," Bart recalls.

That's where it all began, but as we all know, there's nothing easy about the music industry. Today, Bart and Frank are the only two members of the original band still playing. Over the years, members have come and gone but as Bart says, "We've had the chance to play with some really talented singers and musicians."

During the last few years, Rabid Dogs has acquired a few new members and the mix of these talented local musicians is truly something to hear. The band now includes Eric Litman of Minden on guitars and vocals, who works for Highlands Supply; Robert Van Nood of West Guilford on bass and vocals as well as being an artist and cartoonist, (check out the murals on the walls of the Beer Store and Rockcliffe Tavern in Minden to see an example of Robert's artistic skill!); and newest member Terry Joseph of Irondale on guitars, vocals, percussion, harmonica and drumming. When he's not playing, Terry's business, Shade Tree Woodworking keeps him out of trouble. And of course Bart Hilhorst, locally known as the "Bear Man"

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The Dogs Have Been Entertaining Locally For Years

... from pg. 38

with the MNR, is still working his magic, playing guitar, singing and being the front man for the band. Frank Zieger, (still a local at heart!) comes back to town from Toronto where he is a construction coordinator for MTEC, to sing and show his amazing skills on the drums.

When these 5 guys get together, their combination of musical abilities, stage presence and love of what they're doing is a show worth seeing. Robert explains it best, "We've all come from various backgrounds and have played with other bands so each of us has something different to contribute and we've been able to diversify a little more when each new member joined the band. Things have been going great and you never know, we could possibly be looking at recording at sometime in the future."

Robert's talent as an artist is coming in handy for the band as well. Rabid Dogs will soon have a new logo and you'll be able to check out the website that Robert is in the process of creating at www.rabiddogs.com.

For now, the band is just doing what they've always done.



Getting together, having a blast and at the same time, entertaining the audience! What more could you ask for? "We play because we enjoy it and for the fun we have doing it. Most of our gigs are in the area and the bottom line for us is to cover the bar tab and the gas bill," laughs Bart.

If you've never had the chance yet to catch the Rabid Dogs performing, be sure to watch out for an upcoming show. If you love rock and roll, you won't be disappointed and as Eric says, "When you come to see the Dogs, you never know what's going to happen!"

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The Rails End is excited to announce a special exhibition outlining the history of the Rails End Gallery and its role in the development of the village of Haliburton.

Railway Ties to Haliburton's History: Journey to our station and celebrate our heritage, will be on display from September 6th through October 5th. This important exhibition is also a fundraiser for the gallery.

This exhibition is more than a typical exhibition for the gallery. Working in co-operation with the Haliburton Highlands Museum, the Minden Museum, the Haliburton Highlands Model Railroaders, as well as some local actors, the Gallery is attempting to create a whole experience for the community. Anyone with an interest in art as well as local history, train, or historic train stations will enjoy the display.

In addition to artwork commissioned by Donna Bissehop, the Gallery will display photographs and artifacts from the former train station as well as written histories about the station.

The exhibition will come alive for a special event day on Saturday, September 20th from 10am to 5pm. Demonstrations will include working model railroads, actors in historical costumes to reenact historical moments, former stationmaster Homer Brown, and a telegrapher. Together, the exhibit will attempt to recreate the feel of the station as it was at the end of the 19th



The Rails End Gallery

century.

A fee of \$5.00 per person, \$10.00 per family will be charged on the special event day. All other days of the exhibition will cost \$2.00 per person or \$5.00 per family. Also tied in with the fundraising event will be the launch of a colouring book created and designed by Donna Bissehop as well as note cards, trivets, and plates depicting a picture of Haliburton's train located at the high school.

The exhibition is sponsored by the Haliburton County Development Corporation and Trailside House Bed & breakfast. Special thanks to Haliburton Highlands Museum, the Minden Museum, Donna Bissehop, and the many individuals involved.

Also exhibiting will be a show by artist blacksmith Richard Shank - an old craft transformed into contemporary art. Richard enjoys working with metal to be more than functional design.

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An Artist's day: A Short Walk at Kinmount

By Kathleen Millard

Do you have time for only a short walk? Did you ever arrive at the wrong show time at The Highlands Cinema, and look for something to do?

This Kinmount trail is for you. At Kinmount, park at the picnic pavilion, near the flower barrels, beach and children's playground and follow south on the old rail trail.

Audrey, Jack and I set off three abreast across the trail.

After half an hour, walking on the partly shaded hard packed trail, we were rewarded by the sound of rushing water, and cicadas humming in the treetops. It was another good day, sunny with blue skies. The way it should be, when you see a sky blue pink sunset the evening before.

Old spikes and steel plates dot the trail, as we walked along smelling the warm raspberry bushes and damp gullies of purple loosestrife. Small sandy turtle's nest and old white eggshell edged the trail near wet areas.

The second and third trail left wanders and lead to the rocky outcroppings of large rocks along Burnt River. A lovely setting of foaming fast water through solid rock chutes. The sound must have put the old-timers to sleep in the wooden cabin on the far riverbank.

Down river a picnic site with table, fire pit and tent floor beckoned us to a higher hill. It seemed that we had no cares or worries as we cooled off in the river spray and soaked our feet, in the cool clear water.

Hiking is great to catch upon friendships and news as well as exercising. The quest for a new or different trail leads me on.

On returning to the parking lot we found a young fellow sampling water from the beach area with a long extend handle and cup. He said, "the test came back good". Great news for this part of the country!



Did you ever wonder why table knives have round ends?

Table knives have round ends because the problem of people fighting with knives at meal times brought about the invention of table manners.

In 1699, the King of France ruled that table knives should have round ends to stop dinner guests from sticking knives into each other or picking their teeth with the cutlery.

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The Highlands East Arts & Crafts Tour Group thanks its partners, sponsors and other supporters for a very successful inaugural Tour on August 9th & 10th. So many favourable comments have been received from those who took the Tour and results for the Artists was rewarding, both in sales and in appreciation of their work.

Winner of the Tour Prize, placemats and tea cozy donated by Ev Saxby, 15 Gladys Harris, Harcourt Park.

Visit us again on August 14th & 15th, 2004

911 Update: Your Number Is Coming!!

"Where do you live?" ... Gone is the days of "my house is about 8 driveways past the old Miller place – the house with the red roof.... etc.." – The Highlands is getting street names and addresses thanks to the efforts of the 911 emergency service team.

By now, most of us have noticed those little blue signs along the highways and by-ways of Highlands East, Algonquin Highlands and parts of Minden Hills. If you don't have one yet, don't feel left out. Your number will be up soon!

Stephen Foster, the 911 Coordinator for Haliburton County explains, "We're doing the signs in two passes and we will be working in each municipality twice. The first pass has been done in Highlands East, Algonquin Highlands and some of Minden Hills."

He continues, "We haven't started in Dysart yet. By-laws need to be passed in certain areas yet. We're still solving problems at the same time that we're trying to get the signs in as well as still gathering information. So don't think we've missed you. We're not leaving you out, it's just taking time and yes, we do make the occasional mistake, but we'd prefer for people

to wait until after the second passage to see if there are any problems." He explains, "The second pass through all the municipalities could take us into next year as part of the problem we're coming up against is that there are still some road names that have to be finalized."

Haliburton County is one of the last in the province to have 911 numbers and according to Stephen, there have been a few more challenges here than in other more populated areas. "I started working on this in the spring of 2000 and it quickly became the little project that just grew and grew. We have a large area here to cover with a low population. There are about 24,000 built upon properties that needed addresses, spread out over 4450 square kilometers. There are approximately 1800 roads and we still keep finding a few more here and there."

One of the challenges that Stephen has encountered is as he says, "Too many cases of tracks leading into the woods and not knowing whether they deserve addressing or not." Another problem has been roads that don't meet county standards. "We've had to be hauled out a few times," he laughs, "Winters are a real killer, so we lose time as many roads aren't accessible." He continues, "We're trying to do something in four years that usually takes five or six years to accomplish, but we're still trying to stick with it and get it done in that time period. We have less than a year left to finish and there's still a lot of signage to get in the ground. There are multiple initiatives going on simultaneously that have to be managed, but hopefully we'll be up and running by July 1st, 2004."

Once all the signs are up, there will be letters sent out to everyone in the county stating what number they should have on their property and requesting property owners to confirm that the numbers are correct.

The next step to be taken when 911 is nearer completion will be to educate the public on how, when and why it should be used. In an emergency, a call in to 911 is a two-stage process. The first stage is the actual call in to the centre where an operator will determine which type of emergency it is. The second stage is when the call is handed over to the dispatcher of whichever particular service the call falls under, whether it is police, ambulance or fire.

Tender will be going out in the fall to determine who will answer for 911 in Haliburton County (Call Centre) which will be another major step forward in seeing this initiative come to fruition. According to Stephen, the Municipalities and the County will be sharing the responsibility of the maintenance of the signs once everything is functioning and are still in the process of working out the details.

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Geological Group Digs Hole To Centre of Earth and Discovers Hell

One of the most widespread Christian urban legends is the story of the Russian scientists who drilled so deeply into the earth's crust that they accidentally broke through into hell. The details of the drilling had come from the translation of an article in a Finnish newspaper named 'Ammennusatia'.

It claimed: A geological group who drilled a hole about 14.4 kilometers deep in the crust of the earth are saying that they heard human screams. Screams have been heard from the condemned souls from earth's deepest hole. Terrified scientists are afraid they have let loose the evil powers of hell up to the earth's surface. 'The information we are gathering is so surprising, that we are sincerely afraid of what we might find down there,' stated Dr Azzacov, the manager of the project in remote Siberia.

According to the story, the geologists were dumbfounded. After they had drilled several kilometers through the earth's crust, the drill bit suddenly began to rotate wildly. 'There is only one explanation,' said Dr Azzacov. 'The deep center of the earth is hollow!'

The report continued: The second surprise was the high temperature they discovered in the earth's center. 'The calculations indicate the given temperature was about 1,100 degrees Celsius, or over 2,000 degrees Fahrenheit,' Azzacov pointed out. 'This is far more than we expected. It seems almost like an inferno of fire is brutally going on in the center of the earth.'

'The last discovery was nevertheless the most shocking to our ears, so much so that the scientists are afraid to continue the project. We tried to listen to the earth's movements at certain intervals with supersensitive microphones, which were let down through the hole. What we heard turned those logically thinking scientists into a trembling ruins. It was a sometimes a weak, but high pitched sound which we thought to be coming from our own equipment,' explained Dr Azzacov.

'But after some adjustments we comprehended that indeed the sound came from the earth's interior. We could hardly believe our own ears. We heard a human voice, screaming in pain. Even though one voice was discernible, we could hear thousands, perhaps millions, in the background, of suffering souls screaming. After this ghastly discovery, about half of the scientists quit because of fear. Hopefully, that which is down there will stay there,' Dr Azzacov added.

How did this story originate? Again, we will never really know. It is possible that somewhere in the world there has been a spooky experience during deep drilling operations. I don't know. According to an August 1989 article in 'Science' magazine, there is a Russian deep hole drilling project in Kola, near Murmansk, about 150 miles north of the Arctic Circle. Another German deep drilling experiment in north-east Bavaria has discovered warmer temperatures than were expected at certain drilling levels, although nothing even close to 2,000 degrees Fahrenheit.

Characteristic of many urban legends, this story was alleged to have occurred in an obscure part of the world where it would be virtually impossible to track down the facts. And once the story got started, people began quoting one another's newsletters to validate their own. This is the stuff of which Urban Legends are made of.

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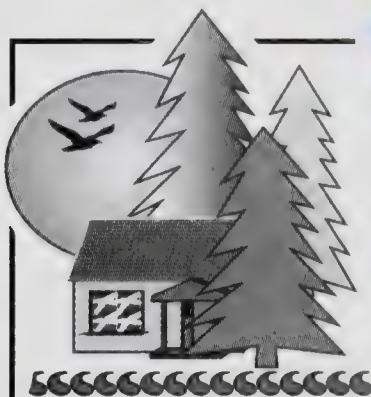
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By means of this notice, the County of Haliburton is informing the citizens of the Township of Algonquin Highlands and the Municipality of Highlands East that the first round of 911 signage installation - street names and property addresses has been completed. First round installation is well underway in the Township of Minden Hills.

Signage installation is a work in progress. Portions of it will not be completed until Spring 2004. Thus, if your road does not now have new signage at all, or other properties on your road have it and you don't, please do not contact the municipality, the County or the 911 Team at this time. Your patience is requested until we have completed our task.

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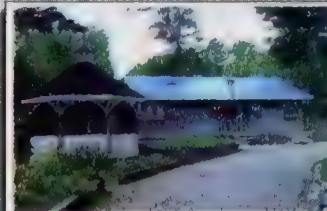
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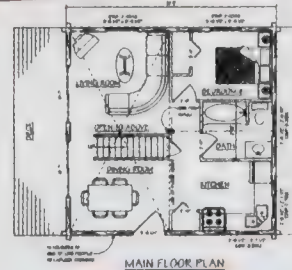
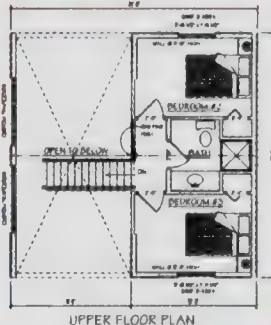
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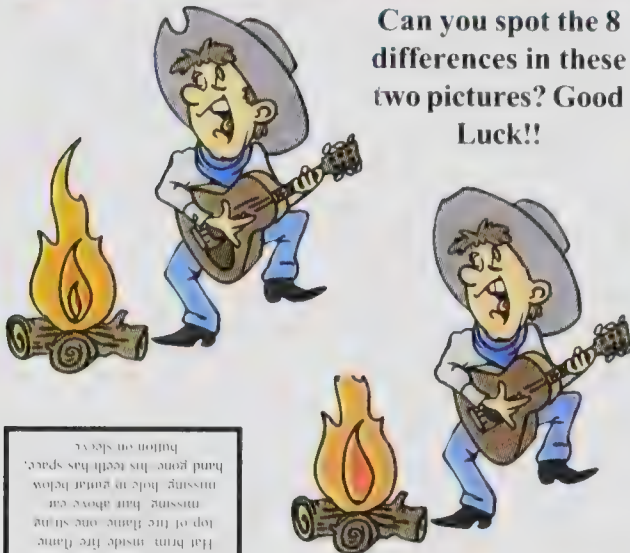
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To celebrate their 50 year anniversary, Camp Wanakita is holding a weekend reunion starting on Friday, September 19th to Sunday, September 21st and they are hoping you will join them to celebrate Wanakita, share memories with friends (old and new), and see how they have grown in the past 50 years.

The weekend will begin on Friday evening with a dinner, social and campfire. On Saturday, all areas of the camp will be open with instruction from the qualified staff or to use at your own leisure. You can explore both the East and West sides of the camp, travel the trails to the old beaver dam or paddle the clear waters of Koshlong Lake. Saturday evening there will be a celebration banquet and a late night "campfire jam". On Sunday, there will be a brunch and closing ceremonies to wrap up a wonderful weekend of celebrations.

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Camp Wanakita ran as a boy's summer camp up until 1969 when it became a co-ed summer Resident and Family Camp. In 1973, Wanakita began offering Winter, Spring and Fall Outdoor Centre Programs as well as their summer camp.

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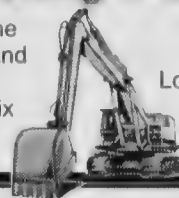
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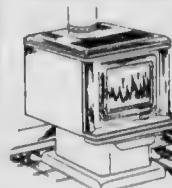
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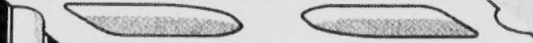
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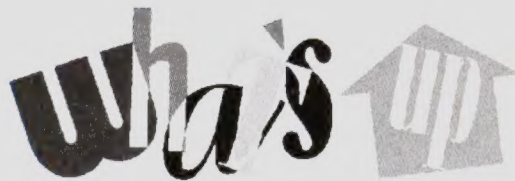
**The winner of last month's Spot Sam contest is
Bonnie Noddle of Minden**

**The winner of the Dinner for Two at "That Place
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Your monthly guide to community events in the area.

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Come To The Fair in Kinmount! - August 29 - 31, 2003

There's lots of reasons not to miss this year's Kinmount Fair. From pioneer exhibits, to children's entertainers, a gigantic beef cattle show, tractor & truck pulls, talent shows, rides, and live entertainment – you won't want to miss a thing.

New this year is a special presentation of Tom Bishop and his Wild West Show, which will follow the popular Demolition Derby on Sunday.

The cost of admission is \$7 for adults, \$1 for elementary school children and free for pre-schoolers.

What's Happening

The Kinmount Fair boasts many activities for all ages. Check out this year's Grandstand Show Saturday at 2:00 starring Prairie Oyster and stay for Ambush at 9:00!

The fun begins on Thursday evening with a Lions Club Monster Bingo at the Arena at 7 p.m. It continues on Friday August 29 with the official opening of the fair and all its events from a fantastic midway, to all kinds of exciting attractions.

Friday offers live entertainment, children's entertainers, tractor pulls around and truck pulls around 2:30 p.m., and the popular demolition derby at 8 p.m. Friday evening ends with a free dance at 8 p.m.

The fun continues Saturday – there is a parade at noon, live entertainment & a talent show, and the feature Grandstand Show at 2 p.m. with Prairie Oyster, followed by country rock band Ambush at 9 p.m.

Sunday features the popular demolition derby and a host of other great activities.

The August long weekend promises to be a blast in Kinmount, so be sure to make your way and check out this fantastic annual fair that just keeps getting better and better with age!!

Prairie Oyster coming to Kinmount



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KARAOKE**

**FRI & SAT
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STARTING
THIS FALL**

Saturday Aug. 30th Guns & F'N Roses - Tribute Band

**Saturday Afternoon
Aug 31st NEON MOON**
From 2 - 6 on the Patio or Inside if it's not

Check out the Mural on the Wall

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All you need are your groceries. This 3 bedroom, 2 bath cottage/home is fully winterized, beautifully decorated and has a well and septic. Beautifully landscaped terraced lot can be accessed from the walkout basement or just sit on the patio and take in the view of Bitter Lake. This cottage comes fully furnished.

\$239,900.00

Deal-Deal-Deal

Very private property on Little Kennisis. 2 lake chain. Deep water off the dock. Enjoy fun times on the large deck at the waters edge. Enjoy this 3 bdrm cottage 4 seasons. Kitchen/Dr finished in pine along with pine cathedral ceiling and walls in the large LR make for a cozy atmosphere. Curl up beside the wood stove and gaze at the moon and stars through the many windows. Lg deck, cedar siding, block foundation. Comes mostly furnished also new stove, fridge, and dishwasher.

\$259,000.00



The possibilities are endless at this property. Large family or 2 family compound, Bed and Breakfast, Marina operation, Boat Storage or rent out the storage to a marina operator to help pay your expenses. Level lot on highly desired Kushog Lake. Treed on both sides for privacy for the neighbours, year round access, 2100 sq. ft. home/cottage with 3 and 4 pc bath, main floor laundry, full walkout basement. 3 boat storage sheds 2 of which are across the road on 7.79 acres. Store approx 100 boats. Rare opportunity. Hurry don't miss out.

\$329,000.00

Ideal cottage for 2 families on Little Kennisis. Pine cathedral ceiling and wall in the open concept living room and kitchen area. Hardwood floors in the entrance nook and kitchen. 2 baths, 3 bedrooms and den/office. Every space is used with lots of storage cupboards. Lots of room for entertaining on the lower level walkout with patio. Screened in porch off the living room, level to slightly sloping lake front. Great swimming, wade in or dive off the dock. Large deck at lake for enjoying the sun with a separate dock for swimming and boating.

\$364,900



4 bedroom SQUARE LOG cottage on Little Kennisis. Natural 150 frontage with deep water and beach. This spectacular property has a 4 pc Jacuzzi bath and laundry room, 3 pc bath, open concept kitchen and dining room. Open living room with air tight wood stove with walkout to deck and cathedral ceilings. Master has walkout to large deck, large entrance/T.V. room. Well and septic add to the many features. Sound like something you might be interested in?

\$439,000



Well maintained winterized cottage on Big Kennisis Lake. This 2 bedroom cottage, can sleep 8 has 4 pc bath, and new propane heat. Cottage sits on a perimeter wall and has a new winter water system, deck, dock, patio area and sitting area at the lake. This property has had upgrades and has an exceptional view down the lake with island view. All this and more for the bargain price of

\$239,000

Location - Location - Location Western exposure on Kennisis Lake big lake view!!!! Point property with some sand and rock shoreline on 150 ft frontage. Very private property, well off the road. Well constructed and maintained 3 bedroom, 3 season cottage, screened porch eating area. Comes furnished, ready to use.

\$299,000.00



Private Retreat

Private well treed lot with 114' frontage on Little Kennisis Lake with a 3 bedroom cottage. This open concept cottage has an oak kitchen, wood cathedral ceiling and walls in the living room with fireplace. This beautiful place also has 4 pc bath and 2 pc ensuite, main floor laundry all this on a full unfinished basement. To add to all of the other attractions is a large deck and screened in porch.

\$359,000.00

Little Kennisis
Very unique 2 bedroom & guest quarters chalet style cottage tucked away in this well treed property. Loft bedroom overlooking LR and free standing fireplace. Appealing lakefront with deck and large dock. Wonderful view. Adjacent lot is available for 159,000.00. Cottage must sell first. Put the 2 together as a package and save \$\$\$\$ giving you 200 ft frontage and absolute privacy. This cottage property is a must see at **\$369,000. & \$159,000.00 for the lot.**



Private Lake - 129 acres

Haliburton Highlands Nature at it's best. 129 acre retreat estate type property with a private lake, mature forest of pine and hardwoods. A 4 bedroom/loft and guest quarters cottage sits on the shore line of Torch Lake. The cottage is full of old country charm, massive stone fireplace in the living room and backing the dining room. Wood floors and all wood interior with cathedral ceilings. Large deck for entertaining or just enjoy the view. This property has many possibilities. Family retreat, Bed & Breakfast, Children's Camp, Retreat Center, possibly severe some lots off, also appears to be 50-60 acres of gravel in the back property.

\$975,000.00

Vacant Waterfront Lots

One of the best lots on Kennisis Lake. 550 ft. of frontage and 5.5 acres of mature forest to roam in. Several choice building sites. Smooth rock access into water. Unbelievable big lake and island view. Year round road and in area of executive style cottages.

\$545,000.00

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Unbelievable building lot on pristine Redstone Lake. Sand, beach, smooth rock access and deep water. S exp. & sunsets. 225 ft fr. & 1.5 acres, mature trees. Don't miss this one.

\$275,000.00